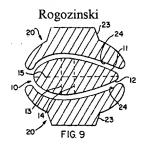
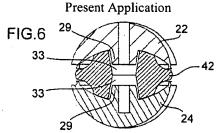
REMARKS

Claims 1-11, 13, 15, and 18-21 were previously pending, of which all have been allowed except for claim 11. Claim 11 has been herein amended and new claims 22, 23 have been added.

Claim 11 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Rogozinski US Patent 5,888,226. This rejection is respectfully traversed. Claim 11 requires "a hollow cylindrical housing with a substantially circular outer cross-section". The shapes of the housing 20 identified by the examiner are not cylindrical and do not have a substantially circular outer cross-section. Representative drawings from Rogozinski and the present application are provided below.





New claims 22 and 23 are supported by the originally filed specification (see pg. 4, lines 19-25 of WO 00/04851).

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